

Worksheet 22 Solutions.

1) a) A parameterization of a curve encodes more information than just the set of (x, y) points that lie on the curve: for example orientation, speed, # of times the curve is traversed, etc.

b) We want $x=f(t)$, $y=g(t)$ so that $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$.

We have $(\frac{x}{a})^2 + (\frac{y}{b})^2 = 1$ and we know that $\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) = 1$,

so maybe $\frac{x}{a} = \cos(t)$ and $\frac{y}{b} = \sin(t)$, i.e. $\boxed{\begin{matrix} x = a \cos(t) \\ y = b \sin(t) \end{matrix}}$ for t in $[0, 2\pi]$

Graphing these parametric expressions shows that the does cover the whole ellipse.

c) No. Although both parameterize the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ (plug in & check), the first set traverses this circle once counterclockwise on $[0, 2\pi]$, while the second set traverses the circle ten times counterclockwise on $[0, 20\pi]$.

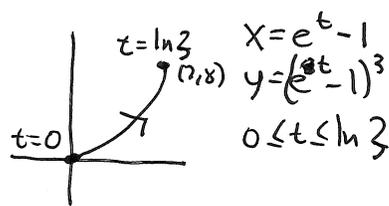
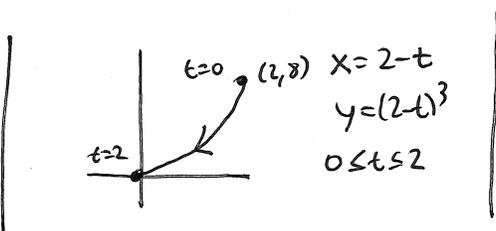
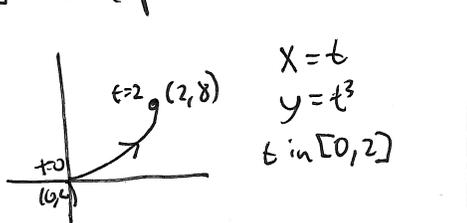
2) a) We have $x = 2 \cos t$, $y = 2 \sin t$. Again, let's use $\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t) = 1$ to relate these:

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4 \cos^2(t) + 4 \sin^2(t) = 4(\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t)) = 4(1) = 4,$$

so $\boxed{x^2 + y^2 = 4}$ is our solution, where $-2 \leq x \leq 2$, $-2 \leq y \leq 2$.

b) $x = 3t - 5$, so $\frac{x+5}{3} = t$. So $\boxed{y = \frac{2}{3}(x+5) + 3}$

3) Some possible answers



4) One idea: choose $\boxed{x = t + 3}$, which satisfies $x(0) = 3$. Then $y = x^2$ forces $\boxed{y = (t+3)^2}$ which satisfies $y(0) = 9$.

Another option: $\boxed{x = (\cos(t) + 2)}$, which also satisfies $x(0) = 3$. Then because $y = x^2$, we get $\boxed{y = (\cos(t) + 2)^2 = \cos^2(t) + 4 \cos(t) + 4}$, which satisfies $y(0) = 9$.

5] Relate $\sec(t)$, $\tan(t)$ using Pyth. Thm:

$$1 + \tan^2(t) = \sec^2(t).$$

Since $x = \sec(t)$, $y = \tan(t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq \pi/2$,

this gives $1 + y^2 = x^2$ for $\sec(0) \leq x \leq \sec(\pi/2)$

i.e. $y^2 = x^2 - 1$ for $1 \leq x < \infty$

Since $y = \tan(t) \geq 0$ for $0 \leq t \leq \pi/2$,

$y = \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$ for $1 \leq x < \infty$ is the Cartesian equation of this curve

6] Because the particle travels in a straight line, ~~$x(t)$ and $y(t)$~~ with the easiest parameterization is to take $x(t), y(t)$ to be linear equations:

At $t=0$, $x=2$; at $t=5$, $x=1$: So $x(t) - 2 = \frac{1-2}{5-0} (t-0)$

$$x = 2 - \frac{1}{5}t + 2$$

At $t=0$, $y=3$. At $t=5$, $y=-1$. So $y(t) - 3 = \frac{-1-3}{5-0} (t-0)$

$$y = -\frac{4}{5}t + 3$$